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(New) A device for generating an image of a relief object comprising:

a flexible electrode;

a dielectric layer in which light emitting particles are dispersed;

a variable resistive layer between said flexible electrode and said dielectric layer,

said variable resistive layer being comprised of conductive particles dispersed through a non-conductive medium;

a [single] second electrode; and

an electrical current source having first and second leads, said first lead of said electrical current source being coupled to said [single] second electrode and said second lead of said electrical current source being coupled to said flexible electrode so that a localized pressure gradient generated by a portion of a relief object contacting said flexible electrode forms a conductive path through said variable resistive layer which corresponds to said localized pressure gradient whereby said current flows from said flexible electrode through said variable resistive layer, dielectric layer and light emitting particles to said single electrode in correspondence with said localized pressure gradient to generate a light image of said relief object.

REMARKS

In the official action mailed August 5, 1998, Examiner rejected Claims 2-3, 6, 8-23, 25-26, 28, 30, 31-37 and 41-43 under 35 U.S.C. § 112, 2nd ¶ as being indefinite. The grounds for all of the claims rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 112, 2nd ¶ are addressed by the amendments submitted above with the exception of Claims 6, 8, 28, 30 and 41. The § 112 rejections for those claims were based on an unclear understanding of the term "one-to-one sensor array." The specification at p. 5, l. 3-8 set forth the meaning of the term "one-to-one sensor array" as used in

the pending application. Applicant submits that this information sufficiently renders the subject matter of Claims 6, 8, 28, 30 and 41 definite and that these claims may now be allowed.

Applicant gratefully acknowledges Examiner's willingness to discuss the § 112 amendments and work through these issues by telephone interviews. Examiner's insights as to claim language are appreciated and have been incorporated in the amendments presented above.

The claim amendments and citation to the specification section regarding the meaning of one-to-one sensor array should meet all requirements for particularly pointing out the subject matter of the pending claims. Applicant respectfully requests reexamination and allowance of all pending claims in the case.

Respectfully submitted,

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